

**IC 22-10-13.1**

## Chapter 13.1. Auger Mining

**IC 22-10-13.1-1****Annual inspection; safety standards**

Sec. 1. The bureau of mines and mine safety shall inspect auger operations at least once each year and may enforce the mandatory safety standards concerning auger operations adopted by the Secretary of Labor under the federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

*As added by P.L.112-1992, SEC.12.*

**IC 22-10-13.1-2****Entering auger hole; prerequisites**

Sec. 2. Before any person enters an auger hole the auger operator shall notify the director or mine inspector and:

- (1) check for methane gas ( $\text{CH}_4$ ) before entering the hole; and
- (2) install roof support;
  - (A) if necessary and feasible as determined by the auger operator and the director or mine inspector; or
  - (B) in accordance with a plan approved by the director.

*As added by P.L.112-1992, SEC.12.*